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~~18~~ 23. (Amended) The construction material of claim  
wherein the Portland cement [of paragraph (b)] is Type  
III Portland cement.

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~~21~~ 27. (Twice amended) The construction material of  
claim ~~23~~ wherein the cementitious composition [includes at  
least one of] <sup>consisting essentially of</sup> ~~further comprises~~ at least one component  
selected from the group consisting of set control additives,  
water reducing agents and water repellent additives.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

Please delete page 21, line 4 to page 21, line 12  
and insert the following in lieu thereof:

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A cementitious composition useful for water-  
resistant construction materials, including floor  
underlayments, backing boards, self-leveling floor  
materials, road patching materials, fiberboard, fire-  
proofing sprays, and fire-stopping materials includes about  
20 wt.% to about 75 wt.% calcium sulfate beta-hemihydrate,  
about 10 wt.% to about 50 wt.% Portland cement, about 4 wt.%  
to about 20 wt.% silica fume and about 1 wt.% to about 50  
wt.% pozzolanic aggregate. The Portland cement component  
may also be a blend of Portland cement with fly ash and/or  
ground blast slag.